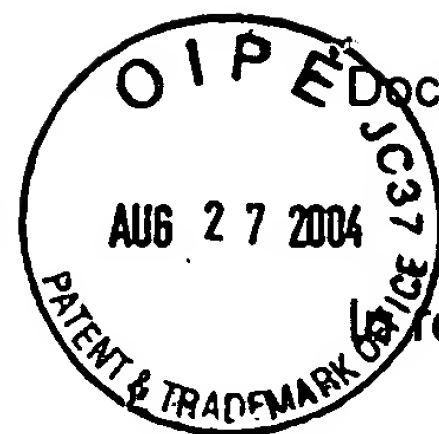


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but should read "alkylene; C₁-C₁₂ alkylene or oxyalkylene substi"

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but should read "terephthalic acid, 2,6-naphthoic acid, 1,5-naphthoic acid, and"

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